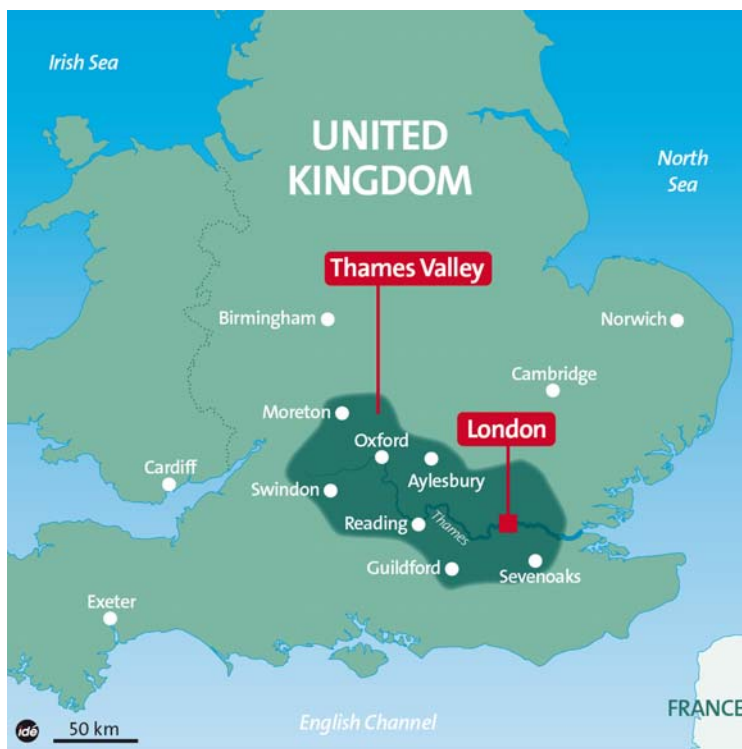


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## **Veolia Water selected by Thames Water to upgrade its infrastructure**

Paris, May 31, 2013. Thames Water, UK's largest water and wastewater services company, has selected a joint venture made up of Veolia Water, Costain and Atkins to deliver a significant proportion of its program of essential upgrades to water and wastewater networks and treatment facilities across London and the Thames Valley. The amount of work for Veolia Water could be worth as much as £450 million (€530 million) for the period 2015 to 2020.



To implement its infrastructure upgrade program, Thames Water has chosen to form alliances with two joint ventures—including that of Veolia Water, Costain and Atkins—which will be in charge of **design, construction, program management, technology and innovation** for the water pipes, sewers and treatment facilities. The program of work, which amounts to a total value of £3 billion (€3.5 billion) invested by Thames Water, is the largest capex management contract in the water sector in Europe.

*“We have a significant amount of work to do upgrading our deteriorating infrastructure while keeping customers’ bills affordable. If we are to achieve this, a different approach is required. That’s why we have formed these alliances to deliver our program. This represents a complete transformation in the way we carry out investment. Our focus will be on delivering*



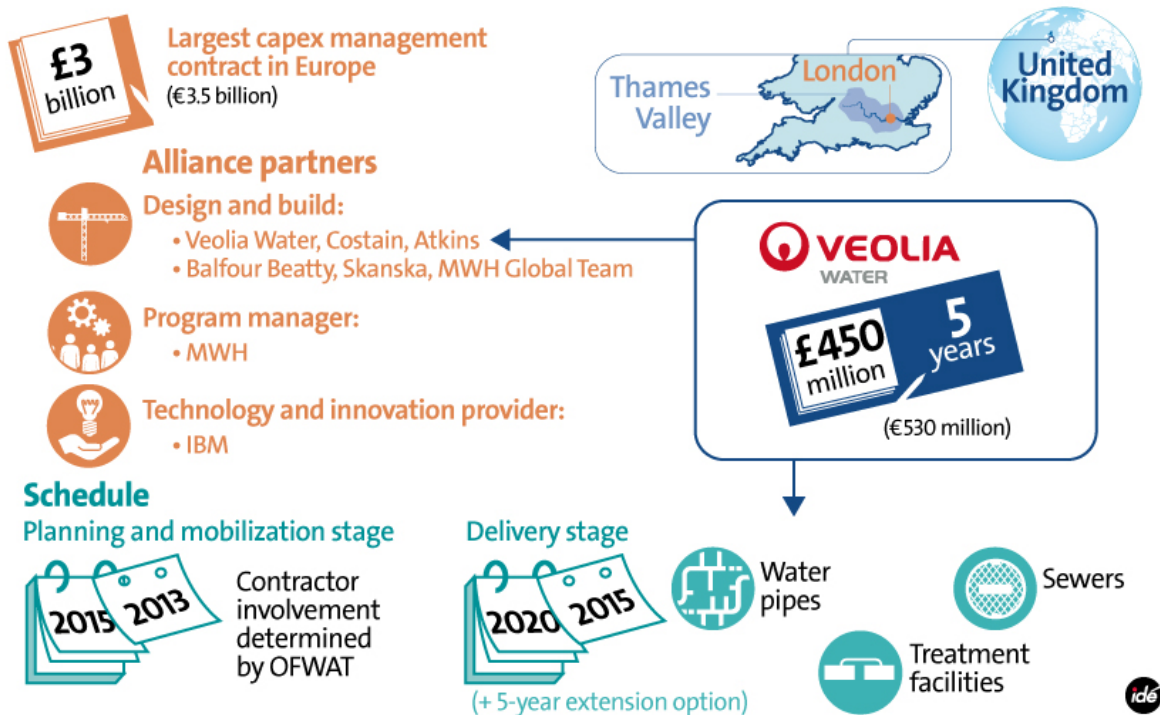
value, as opposed to just cost-efficiency,” explains Lawrence Gosden, Thames Water Asset Director.

Following an initial planning and mobilization stage from 2013-2015 with the joint venture partners, the upgrade program will begin in 2015 and last five years, with the option of an extension for a further five years.

Veolia’s expertise and technical and operational capabilities enable it to take a key role in this essential capital delivery program and meet the high standards that Thames Water demands for its customers.

“This latest contract is a demonstration of the quality of Veolia Water’s services and the value of its offers. By becoming an ‘operator serving water operators’, Veolia Water is applying its new business models and illustrating the pertinence of its strategic choices,” says Jean-Michel Herrewyn, Chairman and CEO of Veolia Water.

## Veolia Water selected as part of an alliance model by Thames Water AMP6 investment program to upgrade water and wastewater infrastructure



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